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Biographical Note:

Herman Sturm was born March 23, 1831 in Hanover, Germany; he emigrated to the United States and settled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1853, he married Anne Lebbe and had five children. He worked as a civil engineer and chemist before the Civil War. He was commission by Indiana governor Oliver P. Morton as Chief of Ordnance for the State of Indiana. He entered at the rank of captain in 1861 and became Lieutenant Colonel of the 54th Indiana Infantry in 1862. He resigned and became Lieutenant Colonel and Chief of Ordnance in 1864 and was appointed Brigadier General in 1865. He was honorably discharged from the army on January 1, 1866. He worked as an agent for the Republic of Mexico from May 1, 1865-June 31, 1868. Herman Sturm died October 8, 1906.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains information regarding Sturm's service during the Civil War and his funeral announcement.

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1862 Nov. 19 Appointment of Sturm as Lt. Colonel.
1863 Jan. 14 Special orders, Sturm's resignation
1865 May 13 Letter to Washington, D.C. from Oliver P. Morton, Sturm is there on his orders to assist in the return of Indiana soldiers
1865 June 10 Appointment of Sturm to Brigadier General and Chief Ordnance for Indiana

1865 Dec. 2 Commission of Sturm to Brigadier General by the Adjutant General of

Indiana

1897 Dec. 14 Affidavit made by Sturm

1907 Apr. 10 Memoriam companion for Sturm

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